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Hours: Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:30PM Saturday 10:00AM - 1:00PM

A VISION FOR ALL TEXANS
TLA 2020
 ★ HOUSTON ★
 MARCH 24 - 27

This year, three from the Llano Library will be attending the conference, but the Library will remain open with the exception of the extended hours on Monday (5:30-7:00) and Saturday (10:00-1:00). The Library will be closed these hours.

Library Staff are Heading to Conference!

The TLA 2020 conference theme was inspired by TLA's envisioned future that, "Each and every Texan recognizes the value that libraries bring to their lives." With this powerful vision in mind, we selected the theme TLA 2020: A Vision for All Texans.

Coronavirus: What you need to do



We know everyone is concerned about the Coronavirus. While we love to see all of our library patrons and help them find something to read, help us in not spreading germs. Here are some tips:
 1) If you are sick, call us to renew your books rather than returning them.
 2) If you are sick and need more books, call us with a request and we will bag them up and bring them to your car ... and let you keep the ones you already have checked out. If library staff is sick, they will not be at work spreading germs.
 Help us keep the library as germ-free as possible

Spring Break Art Show

Kids can enjoy a fun-filled Spring Break @ the Library!

<p>Tuesday, March 17 Painting Paint your heart's desire with water colors, tempera, and even acrylic paints. Bring an old shirt to protect your clothes!</p>	<p>Wednesday, March 18 Found Art Using everyday "trash" to make something beautiful – beads, nature, noodles, wrappers, magazines & more!</p>	<p>Thursday, March 19 Fabrics Create using yarn, felt, scraps, and more! Add some fabric to make your art project POP!</p>
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Monday, March 16
Sculpting

Come sculpt with us! We'll have playdough, clay, and pipe cleaners to explore and create something unique!



Friday, March 20
2:00-3:30
Llano Library

Bonjour (that's hello)! You are cordially invited to Fancy Nancy's fantabulous tea party at the library. We have a splendiferous afternoon planned filled with Nancy's magnifique stories, absolutely scrumptious foods, fabulous crafts to make and take home, and a dazzling fashion show (so dress in your finest fancy clothes)! Please call the library (325.247.5248) to responder s'il vous plait! (let us know you're coming)
 Only 20 seats available!



Want the most current news about the library? "Like" the library on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/llanocountylibrarysystem We also post some of the fun, zany things we do – so "like" us to see more from the library!



The Llano Library uses MailChimp to bring you the news from the library and information about events right to your inbox. If you would like to be added to the email list, please send an email to llanocountylibrary@yahoo.com. Your email address will only be used by the library for the monthly newsletter and an occasional update or reminder about an event.

Contact the staff:
 ★ Tommi Myers, Director llanocountylibrary@yahoo.com
 ★ Tina Thurman, Children's Librarian tina.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us
 ★ Roberta Lindsey, Circulation/Adult Services roberta.llanolibrary@yahoo.com
 ★ Rhonda Schneider, Circulation/Outreach Services rhonda.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us
 ★ Tricia Dwyer-Morgan, Circulation/Technical Services tricia.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us

EXTENDED HOURS!
 The Llano Library is now open until 7:00 PM on **MONDAY**

The Library will be **CLOSED** During LEAF Friday, March 13 and Saturday, March 14 and for **CONFERENCE** Monday, March 23 after 5:30 and Saturday, March 28

Adult Programs @ your Library: Living / Learning / Creating

How
Pinteresting!

How Pinteresting!
A FREE craft program
each month.

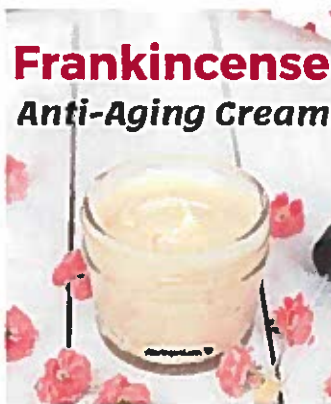
Frankincense Anti-Aging Cream
Tuesday, March 17
@ 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to make this fabulous cream that helps firm skin, removes age spots, heals dry skin, brightens skin, and lightens scars.

All supplies for this DIY project will be provided at no cost.

Class size is limited. Call the Library @ 325.247.5248 to reserve a seat.

Light refreshments will be served.



The Write Time



Writers Group

The Write Time
Writing Group
1st & 3rd Mondays
5:30 p.m.
(17th is a holiday,
will meet on the 24th)

The Write Time Writing Group

The writing group is growing. Come meet your fellow writers.

Writing prompts and timed writings to exercise your inner artist. Light snacks and great conversations provided. The group meets in the Teen Room from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month. Stop by on March 2 and March 16 at the Write Time

For more info call the Library at 325.247.5248 or email Tricia at tricia.llanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us

REUSE
REDUCE
RECYCLE

Many people were greatly disappointed that the Llano Recycling Center had to close, and have been looking for alternatives since that time.

The Library hosted a community discussion in January to try to find a solution for recycling, plus develop strategies to help people in the community learn more about how to reduce and reuse. Many ideas were brought to the table and are shared in this month's insert. We will have another meeting to further discuss how to spread the word in the community about how to reduce and reuse, as well as gather more info about recycling in areas around us.

Join us Monday, March 9

@ 2:00 p.m.

for more info, contact the Library at 325.247.5248 or Tommi at llanocountylibrary@yahoo.com

Healthy Living for Brain and Body
with

Haydee Becerril-Hernandez, PsyD,
Mobile Care Consultant, Alzheimer's Association
Thursday, March 19 @ 12 PM

The Alzheimer's Association Austin, will be presenting a program promoting Brain Healthy Choices. No matter your goals for 2020 the Alzheimer's Association encourages everyone to include brain health. Research has shown healthy lifestyle choices may reduce the risk of cognitive decline and also help reduce the risk of dementia. Bring a bag lunch to this event, dessert and tea will be available. Please call to reserve a seat.

CARE CONSULTATIONS with Haydee Becerril-Hernandez, PsyD, Mobile Care Consultant, will be held all day on Thursday, March 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (with a break for the program). These are one-on-one consultations, no appointment necessary; first come, first serve; no charge.

alzheimer's association®
**healthy living
for your brain
and body**



TIPS FROM THE LATEST RESEARCH

Let's Talk Tech

Let's Talk Tech
Technology Office Hours

Held 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month 10 a.m. to Noon
Upcoming: Thursday, March 19

Sign Up for 20 minute one-on-one technology consultations with Tricia, the Technology Services Librarian. Consultations are limited to help with applications and software only; NO computer system diagnostics. Please see the posted information for services that the library can help with.

Let's Do Tech

Technology Workshop

Thursday, March 12 10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

Seating is limited -- sign up today!

Let's Do Tech -- Special Topic Technology Classes
This Month -- Navigating the IRS.gov website

Tax deadlines are approaching and many of our patrons are asking how to access tax forms. On March 12, Let's Do Tech will provide a quick tutorial on how to find the IRS.gov website, download forms, and find the online filing options.

A short tutorial on using the IRS.gov website will also be posted on the Llano Library Facebook page following the workshop.

As a reminder, library staff can't provide information on what forms to download or answer any tax-related questions. For that, check out the AARP Tax-Aide programs being held in Marble Falls at the Boys & Girls Club on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and in Burnet at the Reed Building on Mondays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

PLEASE REMEMBER: When you sign up for a program or class, you are filling one of the few spaces open. If you are unable to make it to the program or class, please let the library staff know in advance so that people on the waiting list will be able to attend.

3 Book Clubs for you to participate in -- Choose your favorites. Read and enjoy. Gather and discuss. Repeat!

Whether you travel all the time, a little, or long to do so, this Book Club is for you! Travelers will share tips and best practices and give insight into areas around the world from first-hand experience. Travel books will be discussed and compared. The best travel blogs and websites revealed. Join us, and let your journey begin!



Every 3rd
Wednesday
@ 2:00 PM
Next Meeting:
Wed., March 18

Travel, Booked!



After Hours Book Club

Every
Tuesday
5:30 PM
@ The
Barrel
House

Do you love the idea of joining a book club but don't want to commit to reading a particular book -- the same book as everyone else?

Join us each week and we will all talk about whatever we're reading and our favorite authors!

This is a fabulous way to learn about new authors and books that you might not be familiar with -- fiction and non-fiction.



Meets the 3rd Thursday each month at 10:00 a.m.



There are no dues or fees to join this group -- just read the book, attend the meeting, and join in the lively discussion.

February selection:
Rescuing Finley
by Dan Walsh

Reel to Real & Book to Screen



Reel to Real & Book to Screen

2nd & 4th Tuesdays
1:30 p.m.

March featuring:
Hidden Figures

Take the leap from book to screen and from reel to real. Reel to Real (R2R) screens movies based on books and then leaps into the real world with guides on resources, books, and tools that answer questions raised by the movie. Learn to use books and movies to start exciting conversations. The movie will be screened on March 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Read the book to prepare. Then, we'll stop the movie at key points to discuss hot topics. You'll be given handouts showcasing cool websites, videos, and books about space, the space program, and we'll even visit the International Space Station via video.

Due to staff being at conference during the 4th week of the month, we will not have the 2nd part of the Reel to Real on a separate day. Instead, it will be combined with the movie day.

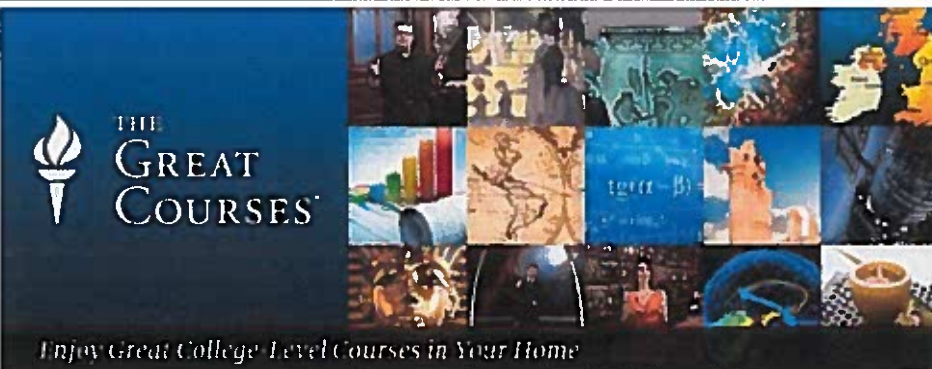
Game/Movie Day/Time

Every Friday afternoon
@ 1:00-3:00 PM

Program for Adults Only
Bring your friends and meet up with others for Game Day and MovieTime at the Library. We'll have cards, dominoes and board games, or bring your own and start some fun game play! We'll have FREE tea, water and popcorn.

Schedule:

March 6 -- MovieTime --
Racing in the Rain
March 13 -- Library Closed
March 20 --
Game Day
March 27 --
Game Day



Enjoy Great College Level Courses in Your Home

Check out the NEW collection of The Great Courses DVDs and Course Guidebooks

The Llano Library has started the collection with several interesting titles, and will add additional as the budget allows.

- The Foundations of Western Civilization 48 lectures 30 minutes per lecture
- Writing Great Fiction: Storytelling Tips & Techniques 24 lectures / 30 minutes per lecture
- National Geographic: Fundamentals of Photography
24 lectures / 30 minutes per lecture
- How to Program: Computer Science Concepts and Python Exercises
24 lectures / 30 minutes per lecture
- National Geographic: Wonder of National Parks: A Geology of North America
36 lectures / 30 minutes per lecture



We get by with a little help from our Friends

FRIENDS of the Llano the Library

Mission Statement: Through the volunteering and fundraising efforts of the Friends of the Llano Library, the Library continues to provide vital services and resources to the community.

Join the Friends for 2020!
See all of the membership rates and perks below . . .

Annual Membership Rates

Individual:

Classic	\$100
Special Library Card, book bag, event perks, recognition on Facebook (optional)	
Novel	\$50
Book bag, event perks, recognition on Facebook (optional)	
Chapter	\$25
Book bag, event perks	
Page	\$10
Event perks	

Corporate/Business:

We welcome businesses, clubs, or organizations to support the Friends.

Llanite	\$500
Event perks, recognition on Facebook, website and Library newsletter, sandwich board, photo op and Llano Marquee, certificate to display	
Granite	\$250
Event perks, recognition on Facebook, website and Library newsletter, sandwich board, photo op, certificate to display	
Sandstone	\$100
Event perks, recognition on Facebook, website and Library newsletter, photo op	

Each membership carries one vote. Must be present at a meeting to vote.

Join the Friends today and be a part of the team that is dedicated to keeping our Library strong now and for the future.

Friends of the Library meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at 2:00 PM at the Llano Library

Notes from the Prez:

Hi everyone. Did you enjoy the Souper Supper Smackdown this year? Again a lot of great soups, door prizes, and most of all a great attendance. I want to thank everyone who helped with the soups, the table decorations, the door prizes, seating the ticket table, taking care of the tea and water, supplying all the fixins for the soups and all the behind scenes running around needed to make this event go off as well as it did. THANK YOU ALL!

As you are reading this, March has started. WOW! Are you as ready for spring as I am? Will March come in and out as a lion or a lamb? We just have to wait and see. You know that spring starts on March 20 and we should start seeing wildflowers again on the side of the road. Always a great time to be in Texas and especially the Hill Country.

It has been awhile since I mentioned Amazon Smile. Are you a member of Amazon Smile? Have you designated the Friends of the Llano Library as your "organization"? I personally order a lot from Amazon and this is an easy way to contribute to the Friends. With each of your

Amazon Smile order a portion comes back to the Friends of the Llano Library.

If you are not linked to Amazon Smile, the process is really very easy. First, log on to the smile.amazon.com. You will be asked for your email and password as you have used in the past to log onto Amazon. It will look like the Amazon website you are familiar with and you will notice an "Amazon Smile" in the upper left corner. Go to "Your Account" and locate "Your Amazon Smile" on the drop down menu. If you haven't selected an organization it will say "select a charity". If you would like to make the Friends your choice go to "change charity". Go to "pick your own charitable organization". Type in "Friends of the Llano Library" and click on Search and the Friends will come up. Then click select and the Friends will be your designated organization. You are done!

Remember that when you log on to Amazon, use smile.amazon.com to get into your smile account. You might want to book mark that to help you remember. Thanks for continuing to support the Friends with your Amazon Smile account.

See you around the Library.
Robert



Your Library has a huge Small Business Reference Center that you can access 24/7 from anywhere – all you need is a current library card. This is part of the Library's TexShare Databases that can be accessed through the Library's website. Full-text NOLO books – about 30 titles – can be found on the website, too

BUSINESS AREAS

- Accounting
- Business & the Internet
- Buying a Business
- Closing a Business
- Employees
- Expanding a Business
- Financing a Business
- Going Green
- Legal Issues
- Management & Leadership Topics
- Marketing & Public Relations
- Operations
- Planning & Starting a Business
- Sales
- Starting & Managing a Nonprofit

BUSINESS BASICS

- Coaching an Employee
- Conducting Successful Meetings
- Doing Business on eBay
- Hiring the First Employees
- Interviewing a Candidate
- Marketing Your Business
- Reacting to a Changing Market
- Selling a Business
- Starting & Running a Nonprofit
- Starting a Business
- Starting a Business From Home
- Starting a Business With Less Than \$1,000 - For Stay-at Home Moms & Dads
- Tax Deductions
- Work Place Problems



START-UP KIT & BUSINESS PLANS

- Small Business Start-Up Kit
- Writing a Business Plan
- Sample Business Plans
- Cash Flow Forecast
- Personal Financial Statement
- Profit & Loss Forecast
- Sales Revenue Forecast
- Start-up Forms



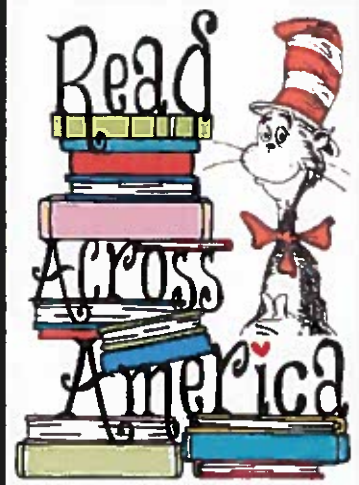
Library Storytime

Children's Storytime Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.

All ages welcome! Come join us as we read, sing, dance, create, and interact with others. Storytime is a great way to introduce books, meet a new friend, and take a break from the everyday.

Bring your friends and join the fun!

March Themes:
 March 5 – Wonky Donky
 March 12 – Pancakes
 March 19 – No Storytime
 March 26 – No Storytime



This month we kick off March with Read Across America Day also known as Dr. Suess Day. First started in 1998 by the National Education Association it was a way for children and youth to celebrate reading all across the United States.

Some fun ways to entice children to read include having them read to a pet, a younger or older sibling, making a special trip to a nursing home (this would brighten the resident's day immensely!), and of course the stuffed animals in the gallery and I are always willing to listen to a story or two!

Swing by the Library on Monday March 2nd and check out the fun activities I have planned! We'll be making Dr. Suess crafts, voting on your favorite Dr. Suess book, eating some book worms, coloring bookmarks, and of course reading!

Tina Thurman, Children's Librarian



Make Mondays FUN Again!!
 Break free of the Monday blahs at the NEW Monday Funday at the Library!
 Bring your friends and join the fun activities.
 Every Monday after school
 4:00- 5:30 (for elementary age kiddos!)

March Activities:

March 2 – Dr. Suess
 March 16 & 23 – No Monday Funday

March 9 – Green STEM
 March 30 – Games



LEGO Camp 1st & 3rd Fridays
 MovieTime 2nd & 4th Fridays
 (with FREE popcorn and drink)
 March 6 – LEGO Camp

NO Fun Friday for the rest of the month due to Spring Break and Library Conference

EVERY FRIDAY
 After School
 4:00-5:30



Every Tuesday
 Afternoon
 4:00-5:30



For Teens 6th Grade - High School
 A fun afternoon filled with snacks, activities, games, and much more!
 Bring your Friends and make the fun!

NEW NON-FICTION

Blueprint: How DNA Makes Us Who We Are

The Blue Zones Kitchen: 100 Recipes to Live to 100

Mediterranean Instant Pot: Easy, Inspired Meals for Eating Well

NEW in the BACK TO BASICS COLLECTION

The Back-to-Basics Collection is located by the Seed Library and is filled with books covering all topics of sustainable living.

Zero Waste: Simple Life Hacks to Drastically Reduce Your Trash

Waste Not Everyday



The digital library is always open.

Read on Libby.

The one-tap reading app from our library.

Musings from the Front Desk . . .

each month, the Circ Crew shares insight into their own lives and happenings at the Library.



From Roberta . . .

I recently read two great books and watched two new movies. My first read was *The Radium Girls: the Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore. The Curies' newly discovered element of radium made gleaming headlines across the nation as the fresh face of beauty, and wonder drug of the medical community. From body lotion to tonic water, the popular new element shines bright in the otherwise dark years of the First World War.

Roberta

Young girls employed by the radium dial company in Newark, New Jersey, became sick from their piecework painting numerals on clock faces using a radium-infused radioactive substance that allowed the products to glow in the dark. Many of the employees died while in their 20s and 30s after years of agonizing illnesses. The employers, as well as the scientists and physicians attending to the women, denied liability for the suffering and deaths.

This is an excellent, nonfiction book that tells a story which will captivate the reader from the opening pages to the closing line. You can find *The Radium Girls* in the library's nonfiction section under 363.17 MOO. If you read it, you won't regret it!

My next read was found in the young adult section of the library. It was a graphic novel by Harper Lee called *To Kill a Mockingbird*. I saw the movie with Gregory Peck, but never read the book until this past weekend. I thoroughly enjoyed reading a young adult version of a comic book!

The new DVDs were *Downton Abbey*, which was superb, and *Judy*. Renee Zellweger received an Oscar for Best Actress for her portrayal of legendary actress and singer Judy Garland. The movie *Judy* takes place in London, winter of 1968, where Judy Garland performed in a series of sold out concerts. Judy's career had "tanked" in the United States, but London loves her. Ms. Zellweger performs the songs, and her mannerisms are very much Judy Garland. I was in high school at the time, and watched Judy Garland's performance on TV.

If you are planning on watching a comical movie, this is not it. *Judy* Garland had a tragic life and died in 1969 at the age of 47. Read and watch my suggestions and tell me what you think. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

And tha is my story and I'm sticking to it...



From Rhonda

Working at the library is a dangerous business. Leaving each day with less than a couple of new books and a DVD or two requires serious restraint. Common sense flies out the door when the opportunity for a new deep dive into a better understanding of our past, present, or future or an escape into another realm presents itself. Sleep becomes an impediment when facing these challenges of the will.

Most recently I took home a four book series that irresistibly ventured into other realms; past, present, and future. It stole my sleep and challenged my imagination.

An older series (circa 2004-2009) the books are: *Black, Red, White and Green* by Ted Dekker. Generally classified as 'suspense thrillers' his novels have a large fantasy fan base as well. Reading such a fantastically imagined story line, I had to know more about the author.

Dekker, a Christian fiction author, was born to missionaries living among cannibalistic headhunter tribes of Indonesia. His parents often spent extended periods away due to their work and Dekker found himself a stranger in strange land. His circumstance, both lonely and fascinating, resulted in a vivid imagination in order to create a world where he belonged.



From Tricia . . .

I love words. I love the sounds and power of the spoken word. And, I love how the written word can transcend time and space. Stories, poems, even sacred texts written millennia ago still speak to us today.

As prosaic as they may seem, grammar and punctuation guides exist to make the written word user-friendly for everyone. The good ones respect their readers and don't make them feel guilty for not knowing everything about commas, quotations marks, or adverbs. By following basic guidelines, we can write prose that can be understood by people we have never met and who may live thousands of miles or even a dozen decades away. Here is a list of some of my favorite guides to grammar and punctuation that demystify the rules of the written road:

more from Tricia . . .

- Associated Press Stylebook - <https://www.apstylebook.com/>
- The Blue Book of Grammar & Punctuation - Available on the Libby App.
- Eats, Shoots and Leaves - <https://www.lynnetruss.com/books/eats-shoots-leaves/>
- The Elements of Style - <http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/37134>
- Grammar Girl's Quick & Dirty Tips - <https://www.quickanddirtytips.com/grammar-girl>
- Grammarly - <https://app.grammarly.com/>



From Carolyn . . .

It is with a heavy heart that I share the news that I am being reassigned to another host location representing the AARP Foundation. Many of you may not know about this role of the foundation. The AARP SCSEP (Senior Community Service Enrichment Program) helps seniors learn new skills and find work, and you are assigned to a location for two years. It does not seem possible two years have gone by since I started here, and I will miss the Library so very much. I have been reassigned to the Llano County Resource Center where I will help people find the resources they need.

I have loved my time at the Llano Library, and have enjoyed working with a great bunch of people. Tommi Myers has been outstanding and caring boss for me. LOL, I know she has gotten frustrated with me at times, but all is good! The Library has been a great place to work and I have learned so much, and have been astonished to learn how much they offer the community.

You really need to get to know your librarians, because you cannot ask for a better bunch of folks. Roberta has been so very helpful to me, but she is helpful and kind to everyone. I will miss Ms. Tina's smiling face and all she does for the children of Llano. Ms. Rhonda keeps you laughing constantly and cares about everyone. Trish is our new Technical Services Librarian, and she sure knows her stuff. And to all the Friends of the Library and the Volunteers for the Library, you are exceptional! MISS YOU GUYS ALREADY!

New Arrivals @ your Library:



Book Descriptions from Amazon

FICTION
A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende
Elevator Pitch by Linwood Barclay
Big Lies in a Small Town by Diane Chamberlain
Here and Now and Then by Ming-Fu Chen
The Good Killer by Harry Dolan
The Blaze by Chad Dundas
The Iron Flower by Laurie Forest
When You See Me by Lisa Gardner
A Sister's Courage by Molly Green
Perfect Little Children by Sophie Hannah
Into the Fire by Gregg Hurwitz
All the Flowers in Paris by Sarah Jio
The Museum of Desire by Jonathan Kellerman

FICTION
A Fire Sparkling by Julianne McMahon
Long Bright River by Liz Moore
The Orphan Thief by Glynis Peters
Sucha Fun Age by Kiley Reid
Golden in Death by J.D. Robb
The Persian Gamble by Joel Rosenberg
The Last Wish by Andrzej Sapkowski
The Time of Contempt by Andrzej Sapkowski
Almost Just Friends by Jill Shalvis
The Look-Alike by Erica Spindler
No Fixed Line by Dana Stabenow
The Second Midnight by Andrew Taylor
This is Happiness by Niall Williams

LARGE PRINT
A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende
Elevator Pitch by Linwood Barclay
Lady Clementine by Marie Benedict

LARGE PRINT
Genesis by Robin Cook
Cilka's Journey by Heather Morris
Stealth by Stuart Woods

AUDIOBOOKS
Big Lies in a Small Town by Diane Chamberlain

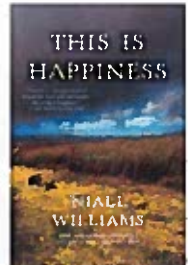
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The Persian Gamble by Joel Rosenberg
 In the follow-up to the New York Times bestselling *Kremlin Conspiracy*, Rosenberg's latest international thriller tracks a terrifying nuclear alliance among three world powers - Russia, Iran, and North Korea - and the deadly mission former US Secret Service Agent Marcus Ryker must risk to halt their deadly strategy.



When You See Me by Lisa Gardner
 #1 New York Times bestselling author Lisa Gardner unites three of her most beloved characters—Detective D. D. Warren, Flora Dane, and Kimberly Quincy—in a twisty new thriller, as they investigate a mysterious murder from the past...which points to a dangerous and chilling present-day crime.



This is Happiness by Niall Williams
 Named a best book of the year by the Washington Post and Real Simple Niall Williams' latest novel is an intricately observed portrait of a community, its idiosyncrasies and its traditions, its paradoxes and its inanities, its failures and its triumphs. Luminous and otherworldly, and yet anchored with deep-running roots into the earthy and the everyday, *This Is Happiness* is about stories as the very stuff of life: the ways they make the texture and matter of our world, and the ways they write and rewrite us.

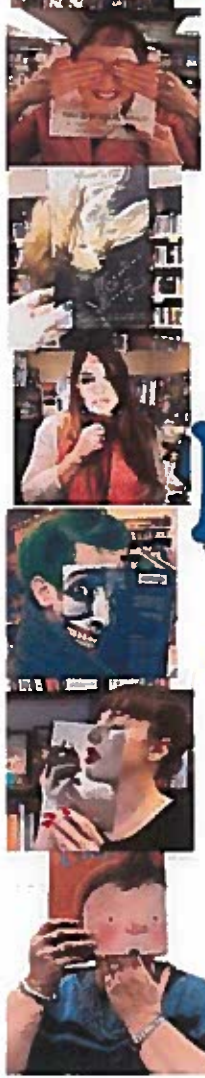


Blue Zones Kitchen: 100 Recipes to Live to 100 by Dan Buettner
 Best-selling author Dan Buettner debuts his first cookbook, filled with 100 longevity recipes inspired by the Blue Zones locations around the world, where people live the longest.

Each dish uses ingredients and cooking methods proven to increase longevity, wellness, and mental health. Complemented by mouthwatering photography, the recipes also include lifestyle tips, all gleaned from countries as far away as Japan and as near as Blue Zones project cities in Texas. Innovative, easy to follow, and delicious, these healthy living recipes make the Blue Zones lifestyle even more attainable, thereby improving your health, extending your life, and filling your kitchen with happiness.



Show Us Your Bookface!



Create your own Bookface Photo and email to Tina.Ilanolibrary@co.llano.tx.us by March 27. Include your name and permission to post to the Library's Facebook page. Entries will appear on Facebook for judging Mar 30 - Apr 17. Top 3 finalists will have their Bookface photo in the library for judging during National Library Week, April 19-25. Winner and prizes announced on April 27!

March Calendar of Library Events and Meetings

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 10:00 GED Morning Class 4:00 Monday FunDay 5:00 The Write Time Writing Group 6:00 GED Evening Class	3 4:00 Teen Group 5:30 After Hours Book Club ELECTION DAY	4 10:00 GED Morning Class 6:00 GED Evening Class	5 10:00 Children's Storytime 11:00 Virtual Family Law Clinic	6 1:00 Game Day! for Adults 4:00 Fun Friday -- LEGO Camp
9 10:00 GED Morning Class 11:00 Daughters of the Republic of Texas 2:00 Back to Basics 4:00 Monday FunDay 6:00 GED Evening Class	10 1:30 Reel to Reel & Book to Screen -- Part 1 4:00 Teen Group 5:30 After Hours Book Club	11 10:00 GED Morning Class 6:00 GED Evening Class	12 10:00 Children's Storytime 10:00 Let's Do Tech! Technology Workshop 2:00 Friends Meeting 5:00 Highland Lakes Ukulele Club	13
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Now is the time to join a GED class!

Instead of only dreaming about a better life, start now by preparing the way for a more secure future -- one filled with more self-confidence and more opportunities.

How will a GED benefit you?

Jobs are now requiring a HS diploma or GED. Take steps now to make yourself more qualified for higher paying jobs, to better yourself, and for a better career.

Frequently asked questions:

1) How much does the class cost?

- ◆ Class is FREE
- ◆ Materials are FREE
- ◆ Practice Tests are FREE

2) What costs will I pay?

- ◆ Cost of the actual tests (currently \$33.75/test)
- ◆ Cost of transportation to the testing site

3) How old must I be to participate?

- ◆ Our program can serve 17 and 18 year olds, with parent permission
- ◆ Ages 19 and older

4) How long does it take to get my GED?

- ◆ This depends on the individual ... we work one-on-one, or in small groups. We move at your pace -- beginning where you need to start and moving through materials as you are ready.



**Be the Next
GED SUCCESS
STORY**

Llano GED Classes Monday and Wednesday

Morning Class:

10 a.m. - noon

Evening Class:

6-8 p.m.

Call today for more information!

**Call the Llano Library at
325.247.5248**

5) What subjects are on the GED?

- ◆ Math
- ◆ Language Arts (reading and writing)
- ◆ Science
- ◆ Social Studies

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given by Gayle Jordan & family; Gary & Gale Parson; Janice Crenwelge;

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So, just what is available? Check out the information below – and the links to websites and more information.

We'll begin with what is available at the Library:

- ◆ GED Classes -- provided free of charge thanks to Community Action, Inc., and volunteers. (see back page for more info)
- ◆ Family Law Clinic -- a free virtual conference service provided by Texas Legal Services Center (see at right)
- ◆ Talking Book Program -- provides free library services to qualifying Texans with visual, physical, or reading disabilities. Devices and materials (recorded books, magazines, and newspapers) are mailed free of charge to a person's home.
- ◆ TexShare Databases with information on a large variety of topics – health, small business, legal, and much more. See the Small Business spotlight on page 4 of this month's newsletter. This is accessed with your Library card -- 24/7 from anywhere.
- ◆ Your friendly librarians are your greatest resource and are always available to answer questions and direct you to the resources you need.

The Library also offers monthly programs with professionals from many organizations such as Hill Country Memorial Hospital, Baylor Scott & White, Area Agency on Aging, Alzheimer's Texas, and many others (see page 2 for more info).

Your Llano Library is working with many area agencies and organizations to help people in the community become more familiar and aware of what is available. In addition to the programs and information provided in the Library's regular newsletter, this insert will provide news you can use from a variety of sources.

The Llano County Community Resource Center is located at Park Ridge Apartments in Llano (100 Legend Hills Blvd. off W. Ranch Road 152).

You can call or just walk in. In addition to connecting you with the agencies you need, they also offer computers and a fax machine for your use if you are job hunting.



CRC
Community Resource Centers
of Texas Inc.

The resource center links you with the resources you need so you can improve your life, short-term and long-term. This location has several on-site partner agencies that provide services. Clients can quickly learn about, apply for, and receive services that are administered by these agencies to improve their lives in both the short and long-term at no cost to the local taxpayer.

Currently, you will find the agencies shown below at the Resource Center. You can call 325.247.2703 to learn when each are in the office.

Monthly Family Law Clinic

Every First Thursday

Llano County Library in Llano, TX
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Free legal advice for low-income Texans – we can answer questions about divorce, child custody, visitation rights, paternity, and name changes. Walk-ins are welcome but priority is given to those who register.

Register at tlsc.org/familylawclinics



AARP FOUNDATION FREE TAX HELP

LOCATIONS

Marble Falls --
Boys & Girls Club
1701 Broadway St.
Tuesdays & Thursdays
9AM- 1PM
through April 14
830.798.2582
Closed Mar. 17 & 19

Burnet --
Reed Building
402 E. Jackson
Mondays
9AM - 1PM
Bring ID and SS card
through April 15

AARP is once again providing tax return preparation for anyone who wishes assistance, and returns will be e-filed at no charge.

When you go to your appt., please take the following documents:

- ◆ Copy of last year's income tax return
- ◆ W-2 forms from each employer
- ◆ Unemployment compensation statements
- ◆ SSA-1099 form if you were paid Social Security benefits
- ◆ All 1099 forms showing interest and/or dividends
- ◆ 1099-MISC showing miscellaneous income
- ◆ 1099-R form if you received a pension or annuity
- ◆ All forms indicating federal income tax paid
- ◆ Dependent care provider information
- ◆ Information for itemizing deductions
- ◆ Social Security cards or other official documentation for yourself and all dependents

Go to www.irs.gov for Federal Tax Information

FREE FILE OPTIONS

- ◆ Income \$69,000 and Below -- Free File Online
File your taxes with free, easy to use software
Use the Free File Online Lookup Tool to find free federal return options
- ◆ Income above \$69,000 -- Free File Fillable Forms
Must know how to do your taxes yourself
Does math; offers only basic guidance
You must have your 2018 tax return

VIEW, DOWNLOAD & PRINT

- Select "Forms & Pubs" or go to www.irs.gov/Forms-&-Pubs
- ◆ For forms, instructions and publications, select "Current Forms & Pubs"
 - ◆ For a subject index to forms, instructions and pubs, select "IRS Tax Map"

ORDER ONLINE

- ◆ To order tax products delivered by mail, go to www.irs.gov/Forms-&-Pubs, then select "Order Forms & Pubs"
- ◆ For current year products, select "Forms & Pubs by U.S. Mail"

USEFUL NUMBERS

Tax Help for Individuals	1-800-829-1040
Tax Forms and Publications	1-800-829-3676



Your Llano County Offices are one of your greatest resources. If you explore the County website at <http://www.co.llano.tx.us> you will find links to many sites and directories filled with valuable information. A few are highlighted below this month:

Llano Countywide LIMITED RESIDENTIAL BULK COLLECTION

DATE: Saturday, April 18, 2020

TIME: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (or until full)

WHERE: Llano County Annex located @ 8347 RR 1431

WHO: Llano County Residents, KMUD/KWSC Customers

WHAT: ONLY the ITEMS LISTED BELOW

LIMITED COLLECTION: Please do not bring other items

★ Passenger Vehicle Tires (Up to 20 in./NO Rims)

Up to 10 tires, over 10 tires is \$1/tire

NO Tire Store collected tires

NO 18-Wheel Tires

★ Bulk Furniture, Chairs, Couches, Mattresses

★ Scrap Metal

★ NO Freon Appliances (ACs, Refrigerators, etc.)

MORE INFO? Want to Volunteer?

CALL: Cristy Vaught 325.247.2039

Sharon Maki 512.970.3562

Anita LaBier 325.388.4559

**BUY
NOTHING**

Give
Share
Build community



HELP REDUCE by sharing
Find Llano Buy Nothing on Facebook
@ Buy Nothing Llano County, TX

Buy Nothing: Give freely. Share creatively.

Post anything you'd like to give away, lend, or share among neighbors.

Ask for anything you'd like to receive for free or borrow. Keep it legal.

Keep it civil. No buying or selling, no trades or bartering, no solicitig for cash. This is an adult-only, hyper-local gift economy. This is not a charity or community bulletin board.

The Buy Nothing Project is brought to you by two friends who have worked hard to address the first of the three infamous "Rs," Reducing,

Reusing, and Recycling. Rebecca and Liesl want to address the "Reduce" part of the equation, as well as the lesser-known Rs, "Refuse" and "Rethink." For more info, go to <https://buynothingproject.org/about/>

From the Office of Gilbert Bennet,
Emergency Management Coordinator,
Llano County Office of Emergency Management
"The Fire House is a Safe Place"

Throughout my career I have been given the opportunity to talk safety on many subjects. One subject I like to share, especially with women in the audience, is what to do and where to go when someone is following you. No matter what you do or where you turn they continued to follow you and you have that feeling that something is not right.

I had this event happen to me as I was working as the Safety Officer in Houston at Fire Station 2. A young woman came into the fire station crying and upset not knowing what to do and she asked if one of us could follow her home that she was being followed. I spoke up and told her I would follow her.

I followed her to her home, and as we turned into her driveway, her parents were waiting on her. The mother came over to my vehicle and started thanking me for watching out for her daughter's safety. I was curious who had taught her to seek safety at the fire station, and she said that one of her high school friends who is a Houston firefighter gave her that advice many years ago and she had shared that safety tip with her daughter. I knew him – he was my Captain when I entered the fire department as a rookie 20 years earlier.

The firehouse in any city or town you visit in America is a local place that is a safe place if you need help. In Llano County or any rural environment, since most of the departments are volunteer fire departments and fire stations are not manned, if you feel someone is following you, call 911 and have a Deputy, Precinct Constable, or DPS Officer meet you somewhere; most of the time they are available and responsive to anyone in need of assistance.

Remember also - if you can't TALK, you can TEXT 911, the dispatch will respond to your text as long as your cell phone service is available. Generally, the 911 Dispatchers know what is happening in the county most of the time and can provide directions and offer assistance as well.

Be Safe- Buckle Up

Gilbert Bennett

Back to Basics FAIR

This FREE sustainable living event held Saturday, February 29 was a great success with nearly 500 people attending the all-day event. This Fair featured exhibitors sharing information, vendors selling the products they make; eleven speaker sessions on two stages covering a wide variety of topics, and a hands-on area where attendees could make items for a more zero-waste lifestyle, and a food court with mesquite flamed pizza!

People attending enjoyed their time and gave great input on the attendee surveys

"The whole fair had a wonderful environment and came with smiles, laughter, and knowledge."

"Great info. Sense of community. Shared interests."

"Fun! Informative! Relaxed! Lovely venue! Great folks!"

"Will help increase our own sustainability."

And they want more – of EVERYTHING! They want a kids' area. They want more demonstration sessions, more animal exhibits, more hands-on opportunities, more food vendors, more vendors selling their products.

Left to right: Ichthus Ranch brought miniature goats; Llano Animal Rescue had dogs for adoption; Master Gardeners Diane and Robert Thompson had a speaker session about a Self-Watering Plant Propagator



Left to right: McMahon Ranch had locally grown, hard-to-find vegetable transplants for sale; Rickie Newell brought her fabulous carved and stained gourds; Kim and Andi with Greater Texas Solar shared about the benefits of solar power

Left to right: Lisa Miller explains to an attendee about the benefits of trench composting; Kristine Adams of Three Hearts Teas & Tinctures shared samples and sold tea blends; Ricky Grant of Enchanted Mushrooms talked about his locally grown mushrooms



Left to right: Jannie Vaught presented a speaker session about making elderberry syrup; Wendy McDaniel with American Guinea Hog Association brought a sow and piglets; Llano Master Gardeners were on hand to share information and sell raffle tickets.

"Souper" Supper Smack Down

Soup + Door Prizes + Great People = a WONDERFUL TIME for all! A BIG Thank You to everyone who made the February "Souper" Supper Smack Down a fabulous community event and fundraiser for the Friends! People were lining up as early as 5 PM to sample the 15 different soups before they were gone -- and they went fast! Recipes for the top soups are included here.

Our fabulous cooks and their soups:

- ✗ Susan Caballero – Baked Potato Soup
- ✗ Diane Thompson – Chicken Vegetable Rice
- ✗ Tina Thurman – Baked Potato Soup
- ✗ Elizabeth Morgan – Venison Chili
- ✗ Roberta Lindsey – Cheesy Vegetable Soup
- ✗ Sandra Slocumb – Jambalaya Soup
- ✗ Jeanne Puryear – Old-Fashioned Tomato Soup



- ✗ Patricia Dawson – Chicken Vegetable Soup
- ✗ Patricia Dawson – Sopa De Lima
- ✗ Dr. Alice Smith – Reuben Soup
- ✗ Tommi Myers – Zuppa Toscano
- ✗ Billie Laning – Jalapeno Sweet Potato Soup
- ✗ Leila Little – Cauliflower Soup
- ✗ Trecey Johnson – Bean Chili
- ✗ Kay Spiedel – Steak Soup

1st place soup -- Tina Thurman
Baked Potato Soup

Ingredients:

- ✗ 4 russet potatoes, whole
- ✗ 32 oz. chicken broth
- ✗ 16 oz. half & half
- ✗ 1 - 5 oz. pkg. bacon bits
- ✗ 1 tsp dried thyme
- ✗ 1 Tbsp dried rosemary
- ✗ 1/2 Tbsp poultry seasoning
- ✗ salt & pepper
- ✗ 1 Tbsp garlic powder
- ✗ 1 Tbsp onion powder
- ✗ 1/2 tsp rubbed sage
- ✗ 3/4 stick butter
- ✗ 2 cups cheddar cheese
- ✗ green onion, sliced (tops for garnish, bottoms for step # 2)
- ✗ 1/4 cup flour

Directions:

- ✗ Boil potatoes until parboiled (I add chicken bouillon to add some flavor), then drain and set aside to cool.
- ✗ In a large pot, melt butter. Stir in all seasonings, green onion bottoms, and 1/3 cup bacon bits. Add flour to make roux.
- ✗ Add chicken broth to roux, stirring until mixture just starts to boil.
- ✗ Cube cooled potatoes and gently place in pot. Using a potato masher or back of spoon, slightly mash potatoes.
- ✗ Add in 1 1/2 cups cheddar cheese and stir until completely melted.
- ✗ bring to a simmer, then add half & half. Return to a high simmer
- ✗ Add salt and pepper to taste, garnish with remaining cheese, bacon bits, and green onions. Serve.

Bonus recipe -- Tommi Myers

Peasant Bread

This is a sticky, no-knead dough

Ingredients:

- ✗ 4 cups all-purpose flour
- ✗ 1 tsp salt
- ✗ 2 cups lukewarm water
- ✗ 2 tsp sugar
- ✗ 2 tsp (1 pkg) active-dry yeast
- ✗ about 2 tbsp room temperature butter
- ✗ more butter for coating the tops of baked bread (optional)

Directions:

- ✗ Dissolve the sugar in the 2 cups water. Sprinkle yeast over the top (no need to stir). Let stand for 10-15 minutes or until the mixture is foamy and/or bubbling.
- ✗ In a large bowl, whisk together flour and salt.

2nd place soup -- Dr. Alice Smith
Reuben Soup

Ingredients:

- ✗ 32 oz. carton low-sodium chicken or beef stock
- ✗ 1 pound corned beef or pastrami, diced, fat removed
- ✗ 8 oz. pkg. sauerkraut, rinsed & drained
- ✗ 1 yellow onion, chipped
- ✗ 3 cloves garlic, minced
- ✗ 1 bay leaf
- ✗ 1/4 cup cornstarch
- ✗ 12 oz. Swiss cheese, sliced
- ✗ 4 carrots, chopped
- ✗ 1 tsp. oregano
- ✗ 1/3 cup cold water
- ✗ 1 cup heavy cream
- ✗ 2 Tbsp. olive oil

For Croutons:

- ✗ 6 slices marbled rye bread
- ✗ 2-3 Tbsp olive oil or butter
- ✗ Kosher salt & freshly ground pepper, to taste

Directions:

- ✗ Heat olive oil in large stock pot over medium high heat and saute onion and carrot until softened, 7-9 minutes
- ✗ Add garlic and diced corned beef and cook for another 1-2 minutes, or until fragrant. Season with salt, pepper, oregano, and bay leaf.
- ✗ Add chicken stock; stir in sauerkraut. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and let simmer for 20 minutes.
- ✗ Create slurry by whisking cornstarch and water together in a small bowl. Remove bay leaf from soup, then whisk in slurry. Cook for another 5-10 minutes, or until thickened.
- ✗ Stir in cream and cheese and cook for another 5 minutes, or until heated through.
- ✗ Serve topped with rye bread croutons



- ✗ When yeast is foamy, stir it up and add to the flour/salt mixture. Stir until flour and water are fully mixed.
- ✗ Cover bowl with plastic wrap and set aside to rise until double in size (for at least an hour).
- ✗ Using 2 forks, punch down the dough and scrape away from side of bowl.
- ✗ Butter bottom and sides of two loaf pans. Divide dough in half among the pans. Set aside to rise until double (for 30 minutes -- maybe longer).
- ✗ Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Bake for 30-35 minutes. Remove from oven and coat tops of loaves with butter (optional). Turn loaves out onto cooling rack. Let cool for 10 minutes before Slicing.